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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Claude Philippe Bertrand,
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TITLE: Therapeutic Use of Alpha-2-Delta Ligands :

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND CLAIM OF PRIORITY

In the matter of the above-referenced application, please make the following amendments: